

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 and 15-20 are pending in the current application. Applicants note with appreciation that Claims 1-10 are allowed.

Claims 11, 15-18 and 20 are amended as discussed further below. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration based on the amendment and comments presented below.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claim 16 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failure to include the definition of R within the claim. This definition is now added, **further specifying that R is a vinyl ether, methacrylic or acrylic radical**, based on the definition of R found in the specification at page 10, lines 8-14 and 16-18. Withdrawal of this basis of rejection is requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 11 and 15 - 20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by CA 2356685 ("BASF"). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection in view of the amendments to Claims 11, 15-18 and 20.

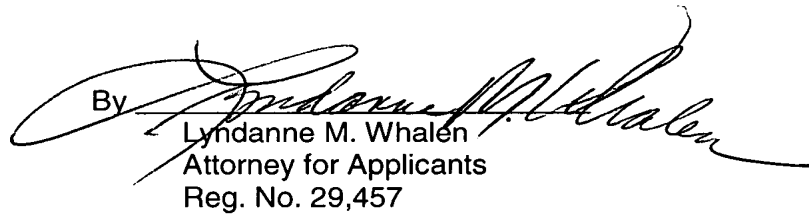
Claims 11, 15-18 and 20 have been amended to eliminate the term "isocyanate secondary products". Accordingly, there is no possibility of overlap with the compositions shown in BASF. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the §102 rejection.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that all outstanding issues have been addressed, and that Claims 1-11 and 15-20 are in condition for allowance. A notice of allowance is requested at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

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